

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Computers are used to support learning and to enhance instruction. Computer networks allow people to interact with many computers. The Internet, a network of networks, allows people to interact with hundreds of thousands of networks and computers. It is the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District's policy that all computers used through District networks be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner. Failure to adhere to the policy and guidelines below, could result in the revocation of access privileges and other disciplinary measures up to and including suspension or expulsion from school.

GUIDELINES:

APPROPRIATE, RESPECTFUL LANGUAGE

Remember that you are a representative of your school and district when you are on-line. Always use language that you know is appropriate and respectful in your messages. Never send, or encourage others to send messages that are not polite or contain abusive or profane language.

PRIVACY

Do not send any message that includes personal information such as home address or phone number for yourself or any other person. Report to your teacher any person who asks for personal information. Never share your password with anyone.

VANDALISM

Never move, delete, or trash any applications or files that are not yours. Do not damage or misuse the equipment.

LEGALITY

Do not use the Internet for illegal purposes or engage in any illegal activities through the use of the computer or networks. This includes sending or receiving copyrighted materials without permission.

Since access to the Internet provides connections to other computer systems located all over the world, users and parents of users who are students, must understand that neither the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District nor District staff members control the content of the information available on these other systems. Some of the information available is inaccurate, controversial, and may be offensive. The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District does not condone the use of such materials.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

I have read the SMMUSD Telecommunications Acceptable Use Policy and agree that by following the guidelines I will be allowed network access including the Internet. I understand that my network access is a privilege and may be revoked if I do not follow these guidelines.

Name (print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT CONSENT

I have read the SMMUSD Telecommunications Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that network access and the Internet is a world-wide group of hundreds of thousands of computer networks. I know that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District does not control the content of these Internet networks. When using the Internet, I realize that students may encounter material I might consider inaccurate, controversial or offensive. The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District has my permission to give Internet access to my child. I understand that my child may keep this access as long as the guidelines described in the Telecommunications Acceptable Use Policy are followed.

Name (print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____